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The former chief of the CIA's Angola Task Force said Wednesday he believes the spy agency is secretly and illegally funding Angolan rebel leader Jonas Savimbi with as much as \$15 million in the pipeline.

John Stockwell, who quit the CIA in 1977 to write a bitterly critical book about CIA operations to "de-stabilize" the Soviet-supported Marxist regime in Angola, said the Reagan administration had gone far beyond promises of "moral support" for Savimbi. He said he believed the CIA since last November had secretly earmarked \$15 million for Savimbi's UNITA guerrilla forces.

"I believe, without having the hard facts, that the CIA is already funding Savimbi," Stockwell told a news conference.

Although he said he could not prove it, "Reagan is said to have favored covert aid. The figure leaked out was \$15 million."

Stockwell said he also believed a "\$600,000 public relations office" set up in Washington to publicize Savimbi's current visit "was probably funded by the CIA" from their contingency funds.

Aid also was being funneled to Savimbi, with U.S. encouragement, by South Africa, Morocco, Israel and Saudi Arabia, he said.

Stockwell's remarks at the news conference coincided with Savimbi's meeting with Secretary of State George Shultz and kicked off an anti-Savimbi campaign sponsored by the Washington Office on Africa, the Congressional Black Caucus, the TransAfrica organization and 500 specialists on Africa at universities in 38 states and Washington.

Stockwell spent eight years of his youth in Angola where his father was an engineer on a hydroelectric project and returned in 1975 to head covert CIA efforts to overthrow the Marxist regime that emerged after the end of Portuguese colonial rule.